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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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EXAMINING GROUP 1700

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: P.A. Graef et al. Attorney Docket No.: WEYE116969
Application No.: 09/815,933 Group Art Unit: 1771
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Title: ABSORBENT COMPOSITE HAVING IMPROVED SURFACE DRYNESS

AMENDMENT C

Seattle, Washington 98101

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed May 27, 2004 making final the rejection of claims, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

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